Mountain Weather Forecast

Southwest Highlands

Including Ben Nevis, Glen Coe and the rest of Lochaber, Argyll including the Isles, Loch Lomond, Trossachs and Arran

Forecast valid from 00:00 on Friday 15 Oct 2021 until 23:59 on Saturday 16 Oct 2021

Forecast Issued on Thursday 14 Oct 2021 at 14:06 by Met Office Aberdeen

Confidence: High confidence for a brief window of dry, colder, brighter weather on Friday with light winds. Also high confidence for a return to cloudy, milder, windy conditions with outbreaks of rain over the weekend.

Headline for Friday 15 Oct 2021: Dry with plenty of sunshine. Lighter winds on the tops but still feeling chilly.

Mountain weather hazards on Friday 15 Oct 2021

Blizzards No Likelihood	**Heavy Snow** No Likelihood	**Storm force winds** No Likelihood
Gales No Likelihood	**Severe chill effect** Low Likelihood	**Poor visibility** No Likelihood
Thunderstorms No Likelihood	**Heavy persistent rain** No Likelihood	**Strong sunlight** No Likelihood

Weather and chance of precipitation at 800m							
Time							
00:00	03:00	06:00	09:00	12:00	15:00	18:00	21:00
Clear night	Clear night	Clear night	Sunny	Sunny	Sunny	Clear night	Clear night
Precipitation probability							
00%	00%	00%	00%	00%	00%	00%	00%

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Weather: It will be dry with long clear then sunny periods. A colder day with a frost in the glens at first.

Chance of cloud free mountain/hill tops above 800m: 90%

Visibility: Air will have great clarity resulting in excellent visibility. Mostly clear skies with just a few patches of cloud about 800m, these mainly over hills towards the West Coast.

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Height (m)	Wind Speed mean/gusts (mph)					Wind Direction (blowing from)			
	00:00	03:00	06:00	09:00	12:00	15:00	18:00	21:00	00:00
1300	18/22 N	11/14 N	13/16 N	9/11 S	7/11 W	9/14 W	9/12 SW	11/14 S	11/15 S
900	9/13 N	7/10 N	7/11 N	3/6 NW	5/9 W	8/12 W	6/9 SW	7/10 SW	7/11 S
600	8/11 SE	5/7 N	6/8 N	4/7 SW	6/10 W	8/13 SW	6/10 SW	7/11 S	7/11 S
300	5/8 W	4/7 N	3/6 N	3/5 SW	3/6 W	5/8 W	4/6 SW	5/8 S	5/8 S
Glen	4/8 NW	5/8 NW	4/7 NW	2/4 SW	2/6 W	4/8 W	3/5 W	2/4 SW	2/4 SE

Height (m)	Temperature / Feels Like (°C)								
	00:00	03:00	06:00	09:00	12:00	15:00	18:00	21:00	00:00
1300	-3/-10	-3/-8	-3/-9	-3/-8	-2/-7	-2/-7	-2/-7	-3/-8	-3/-8
900	-0/-4	-0/-4	-1/-5	-0/-2	1/-1	2/-2	0/-2	-0/-3	-0/-4
600	2/-1	2/0	2/-1	2/0	3/1	4/1	3/1	3/-0	2/-0
300	4/2	4/2	3/2	4/3	6/5	7/5	6/5	5/3	5/3
Glen	6/5	5/3	4/3	6/5	8/8	9/8	7/6	6/5	5/4
Freezing Level*	800m	800m	700m	700m	800m	800m	800m	800m	800m

**Level above which ground is expected to be frozen/snow is expected to settle.*

Met Office Aberdeen Meteorologist's View
Even with just a light breeze over higher ridges and summits, it will still feel chilly with temperatures close to or below freezing.

Forecast for Saturday 16 Oct 2021
Weather: Dry, bright start with sunny spells and a frost in the glens. Then becoming cloudy later in the morning with patchy light rain in the afternoon, becoming more persistent and heavier by evening.

Maximum wind: South or southwesterly winds strengthening on the tops during the day, average speeds of 15mph at first increasing 30 gusts 45mph in the afternoon.

Chance of cloud free mountain/hill tops above 800m: 80% at first, reducing to 40% by afternoon and little chance by evening.

Visibility: Very good with some patches of cloud on the tops at first, mostly hills near to West Coast. Clouds will become more extensive during the morning with bases lowering during the afternoon to about 600m. Also becoming misty during the afternoon with poor visibility as more persistent rain sets in.

Temperature: **Glens:** Minus 1 Celsius rising later in the day to 13 Celsius.
At 800m: Zero Celsius rising to plus 5 Celsius during the afternoon.
Freezing level: 800m at first, lifting above the summits during the day.

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